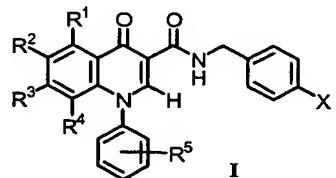


**Abstract of the Disclosure**

The present invention provides compounds of formula I

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which are useful as antiviral agents, in particular, as agents against viruses of the  
10 herpes family.